

his campaign for democracy, and sustained with the bipartisan support of the leadership of both houses of Congress, has served our national interest well through its timely support of those who advance the cause of democracy.

The Endowment, a small bipartisan institution with its roots in America's private sector, operates in situations where direct government involvement is not appropriate. It is an exceptionally effective instrument in today's climate for reaching dedicated groups seeking to counter extreme nationalist and autocratic forces that are responsible for so much conflict and instability.

Eliminating this program would be particularly unsettling to our friends around the world, and could be interpreted as a sign of America's disengagement from the vital policy of supporting democracy. The Endowment remains a critical and cost-effective investment in a more secure America, and we support its work. We hope that you will join us in that support.

Sincerely,

RICHARD V. ALLEN,  
FRANK C. CARLUCCI,  
ZBIGNIEW BRZEZINSKI,  
BRENT SCOWCROFT.●

(At the request of Mr. DOLE, the following statements were ordered to be printed in the RECORD.)

#### BALANCED BUDGET RESOLUTION ACT OF 1995

● Mr. DOLE. I seek a clarification from my colleague, the esteemed chairman of the Finance Committee, Mr. ROTH. It is my understanding that, in making these revolutionary and necessary changes to the Medicare program to preserve it for our Nation's seniors, we are concerned about the effects these changes may have on inner-city access to health care services. It is my understanding that it is the Finance Committee's intention to have ProPAC study the effects of these changes on the access and quality of care to the Medicare beneficiaries served by the Nation's urban hospitals who serve large numbers of Medicare patients. I understand from the chairman that whatever changes do occur in the Medicare Program, it is in the best interests of this Nation to ensure the health and financial viability of these inner-city hospitals so as not to undermine the health of the residents in those urban areas.

Mr. ROTH. The gentleman, my good friend from Kansas, is correct. I share his concern for residents of the inner cities across the country. The Finance Committee does indeed intend for ProPAC to study the effects of these changes on inner city hospitals that provide the access to care for those areas.

Mr. DOLE. It is, therefore, my understanding that the chairman of the Finance Committee intends to continue to address these concerns during the House-Senate conferences by including language which would require ProPAC's annual report to Congress to include recommendations to ensure that beneficiaries served by the Nation's urban hospitals would maintain access and quality of care.

In designing the study we would hope that ProPAC would also include rec-

ommendations on those hospitals that serve large populations of both Medicare and Medicaid patients.

Mr. ROTH. The Senator is correct. As part of the Senate Finance Committee's deliberation with the House on the Medicare provisions of the conference, we intend to request, and ultimately, include that requirement in ProPAC's annual report to Congress.

Mr. DOLE. I thank the chairman for his clarification and for sharing my concern about the health and well-being of our inner-city residents and the hospitals that serve their needs.

#### OREGON HEALTH PLAN

Mr. HATFIELD. Will my colleague from Delaware yield for the purpose of entering into a colloquy?

Mr. ROTH. I would be happy to yield to the Senator from Oregon.

Mr. HATFIELD. It is my understanding that additional funds have been made available and added to the Medicaid Program. As a result, Oregon will receive more funding during the 7 year budget period than originally expected under the Senate formula.

Mr. ROTH. That is correct.

Mr. HATFIELD. As my colleague knows, Oregon is currently in the middle of a 5-year Medicaid demonstration project known as the Oregon Health Plan which began in 1994. This plan has had an enormous effect on improving access to basic health care to low-income Oregonians. As a result of the cuts to Medicaid funding included in the original Finance Committee proposal, Oregon's ability to carry out this innovative plan was threatened. Is it your understanding that under the new Senate Medicaid formula, Oregon will receive more money than the State estimates it will need during the years 1996 through 1999 to operate the Oregon Health Plan under its current Medicaid waiver?

Mr. ROTH. Yes.

Mr. HATFIELD. I want to thank the Senator from Delaware and your staff for your assistance in ensuring that Oregon will be able to continue its innovative experiment. I truly believe other States can learn from Oregon's experience, and you have helped to guarantee that this will happen.●

#### CONGRATULATING TIMOTHY A. BROWN

● Mr. SARBANES. Mr. President. I rise today to recognize and congratulate Capt. Timothy A. Brown, international president of the International Organization of Masters, Mates & Pilots, ILA, AFL-CIO, on being awarded the Silver Mariner Award and the Outstanding Professional Achievement Award by the U.S. Merchant Marine Academy at Kings Point, NY. Captain Brown was presented with the award on October 12, 1995, at an awards dinner held at the Merchant Marine Academy Officers Club.

The Silver Mariner Award is given every 5 years to individuals who have attained and sailed on their master's license and who have at least 25 years

sailing experience. Individuals receiving the Outstanding Professional Achievement Award are selected because of their achievement within the maritime industry. Captain Brown's labor efforts on behalf of the maritime industry as president of the International Organization of Masters, Mates & Pilots led to his nomination and subsequent selection by the review panel.

The International Organization of Masters, Mates & Pilots is the International Marine Division of the International Longshoremen's Association, AFL-CIO. With 6,800 members, it represents licensed deck officers, State pilots, and other marine personnel on U.S.-flag commercial vessels sailing in international trade and the inland waterways of the United States, the Panama Canal, and Caribbean, as well as crews sailing civilian-crewed military vessels of the United States.

Captain Brown richly deserves the great honor which has been accorded him. He has been associated with the maritime industry since graduating from the U.S. Merchant Marine Academy at Kings Points, NY, in 1965. Captain Brown continued to associated himself with the maritime industry; from 1983 to 1991 he sailed as a ship's master with SeaLand Service, Inc. In February 1991, he was elected president of the International Organization of Masters, Mates & Pilots on an interim basis and was subsequently reelected in 1992. During his tenure as president, Captain Brown devoted a great deal of time and energy toward legislative initiatives designed to promote the U.S.-flag merchant marine in a competitive world market. Working at both the grassroots and national levels he took the opportunity to explain the importance of the U.S. merchant marine to the national defense and the economy.

Captain Brown serves as an international vice president of the Masters, Mates & Pilots parent organization, the International Longshoremen's Association. He is also a member of the Council of American Master Mariners and the American Merchant Marine Veterans.

Mr. President, again, I congratulate Captain Brown on his accomplishment and for being held in such a high regard by his colleagues in the maritime industry.●

#### DAVID HENDEL

● Mr. LIEBERMAN. Mr. President, I rise today to offer these most public words of congratulation to a great Connecticut citizen who is retiring after a long and distinguished career with the Metropolitan Life Insurance Co. For nearly 40 years, David Hendel of West Hartford, CT has been a fixture at MetLife and he will be sorely missed in those hallways.

As a past president of the MetLife Veterans Club of Hartford/Providence,

a member of the president's club for 6 years, and 10 years on the leadership conference, David has redefined loyalty and dedication in the workplace. If ever there was a man who could be counted on to put forth his best effort day in and day out, David Hendel is that man.

David has not merely made his mark at MetLife, he has also worked hard to better his community and this is what makes him such a special individual. A veteran of the U.S. Army, David has devoted his spare time to such organizations as the West Hartford Zoning Board of Appeals, the West Hartford Democratic Town Committee, and Temple Beth El of West Hartford. Truly, David has taught a generation of West Hartford residents the meaning and value of community service.

A true role model, David has shown us all that we must work both as individuals and as parts of a greater community to leave a positive mark on the world around us. As Members of Congress, we are charged with improving and strengthening the fabric of this Nation. I hope this body recognizes that, by following the lead of citizens like David Hendel, we can all advance toward that lofty goal.●

#### NOMINATION OF JOHN DOUGLASS TO BE ASSISTANT SECRETARY OF THE NAVY

● Mr. LEVIN. Mr. President, I wish to offer a few comments on the nomination of John Wade Douglass to be the Assistant Secretary of the Navy for Research, Development and Acquisition. John has served as a professional staff member of the Senate Armed Services Committee for more than 3 years, and he has served the committee well.

John has been responsible for technology base programs and defense research and development issues, as well as NATO issues, for the committee's Democratic members. He has worked on such difficult tasks as reducing the size of the Defense Department and its budget while keeping a coherent program of research and technology that will help preserve our national security in the decades to come. He has also dealt with the thorny issues of Bosnia and NATO expansion.

In all his work for the committee, John has offered wise and creative approaches to these difficult issues. For example, he has been a tireless champion of cost-sharing in Federal dual-use research funding, which has now become a standard practice for the Pentagon and other government agencies. This new standard will save the taxpayer hundreds of millions of dollars while improving the chances that the joint research bears fruit for both the military and civilian users.

Mr. President, I have enjoyed the opportunity to work with John over the past 3 years. He has worked with me on a number of issues, always with energy, intelligence, and humor. Clearly, the Navy's gain will be the commit-

tee's loss. I want to offer my congratulations to John and wish him well in his new position. If he serves the Navy as well as he did the committee, as I am sure he will, the Nation will be well served indeed.●

Mr. SMITH. Mr. President, I suggest the absence of a quorum.

The PRESIDING OFFICER. The clerk will call the roll.

The bill clerk proceeded to call the roll.

Mr. SMITH. Mr. President, I ask unanimous consent that the order for the quorum call be rescinded.

The PRESIDING OFFICER. Without objection, it is so ordered.

#### PROFESSIONAL BOXING SAFETY ACT

Mr. SMITH. Mr. President, I ask unanimous consent that the Senate proceed to the immediate consideration of Calendar No. 209, S. 187, the Professional Boxing Safety Act.

The PRESIDING OFFICER. Without objection, it is so ordered.

The clerk will report.

The legislative clerk read as follows:

A bill (S. 187) to provide for the safety of journeyman boxers, and for other purposes.

The PRESIDING OFFICER. Is there objection to the immediate consideration of the bill?

There being no objection, the Senate proceeded to consider the bill.

#### AMENDMENT NO. 3039

(Purpose: To provide a substitute)

Mr. SMITH. Mr. President, I send an amendment to the desk on behalf of Senator McCain.

The PRESIDING OFFICER. The clerk will report.

The legislative clerk read as follows:

The Senator from New Hampshire [Mr. SMITH] for Mr. McCain (for himself, Mr. BRYAN, and Mr. ROTH) proposes an amendment numbered 3039.

Mr. SMITH. Mr. President, I ask unanimous consent that the reading of the amendment be dispensed with.

The PRESIDING OFFICER. Without objection, it is so ordered.

(The text of the amendment is printed in today's RECORD under "Amendments Submitted.")

The PRESIDING OFFICER. The question is on agreeing to the amendment.

The amendment (No. 3039) was agreed to.

Mr. SMITH. I ask unanimous consent that the bill be deemed read a third time, passed as amended, the motion to reconsider be laid upon the table and any statements relating to the bill be placed at the appropriate place in the RECORD.

The PRESIDING OFFICER. Without objection, it is so ordered.

So the bill (S. 187), as amended, was passed.

#### AUTHORIZING THE PRINTING OF REVISED EDITION OF THE SENATE ELECTION LAW GUIDEBOOK

Mr. SMITH. Mr. President, I ask unanimous consent that the Senate proceed to the immediate consideration of Senate Resolution 190, submitted earlier today by Senators WARNER and FORD.

The PRESIDING OFFICER. Without objection, it is so ordered.

The clerk will report.

The legislative clerk read as follows:

A resolution (S. Res. 190) to authorize the printing of a revised edition of the Senate Election Law Guidebook.

The PRESIDING OFFICER. Is there objection to the immediate consideration of the resolution?

There being no objection, the Senate proceeded to consider the resolution.

Mr. SMITH. Mr. President, I ask unanimous consent that the resolution be agreed to, the motion to reconsider be laid upon the table, and any statements relating to the resolution appear at the appropriate place in the RECORD.

The PRESIDING OFFICER. Without objection, it is so ordered.

The resolution (S. Res. 190) was agreed to, as follows:

#### S. RES. 190

*Resolved*, That the Committee on Rules and Administration is directed to prepare a revised edition of the Senate Election Law Guidebook, Senate Document 103-13, and that such document shall be printed as a Senate document.

SEC. 2. There shall be printed 600 additional copies of the document specified in section 1 of this resolution for the use of the Committee on Rules and Administration.

#### NATIVE AMERICAN TECHNICAL CORRECTIONS ACT

Mr. SMITH. Mr. President, I ask unanimous consent the Senate proceed to the immediate consideration of Calendar No. 196, S. 325.

The PRESIDING OFFICER. Without objection, it is so ordered.

The clerk will report.

The legislative clerk read as follows:

A bill (S. 325) to make certain technical corrections in laws relating to native Americans and for other purposes.

The Senate proceeded to consider the bill.

#### AMENDMENT NO. 3040

(Purpose: To provide a substitute)

Mr. SMITH. Mr. President, I send an amendment to the desk on behalf of Senator McCain and ask for its immediate consideration.

The PRESIDING OFFICER. The clerk will report.

The legislative clerk read as follows:

The Senator from New Hampshire [Mr. SMITH], for Mr. McCain, proposes an amendment numbered 3040.

Mr. SMITH. Mr. President, I ask unanimous consent that reading of the amendment be dispensed with.

The PRESIDING OFFICER. Without objection, it is so ordered.